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FORMALITIES LETTER



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NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

Filing Date Granted

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

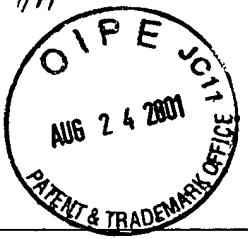
- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - Numbers, letters, and reference characters must measure at least 0.32 cm (1/8 inch) in height.
- An abstract was not provided for this application. An abstract of the technical disclosure is required under 37 CFR 1.72(b).

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.8, I hereby certify that I have information and a reasonable basis for belief that this correspondence will be deposited as first-class mail with the United States Postal Service in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on August 22, 2001.

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In Re Application of:
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Title: Imaging of Light Scattering Tissues with Fluorescent Contrast Agents

RESPONSE TO FORMALITIES LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: August 22, 2001

Dear Sir:

In response to the Formalities Letter mailed 06/22/01, the following required items are submitted herewith.

Substitute drawings are enclosed that have proper height numbers, letters and reference characters.

An abstract is provided on the attached page.

The application is now believed to be in condition for formal consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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IMAGING OF LIGHT SCATTERING TISSUES
WITH FLUORESCENT CONTRAST AGENTS

This application is a continuation of U.S. application No. 09/367,148, filed November 22, 1999, which was the National Stage of International Application No. PCT/US/98/02354, filed February 6, 1998, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/039,318, filed February 7, 1997.

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